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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

8 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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10 IN RE ABBOTT LABS NORVIR)
11 ANTITRUST LITIGATION,)
12 This document relates to all) No. C04-1511 CW (BZ)
actions.) C04-4203 CW (BZ)
13) **INITIAL DISCOVERY ORDER**
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16 All discovery in this matter has been referred to United
17 States Magistrate Judge Bernard Zimmerman.

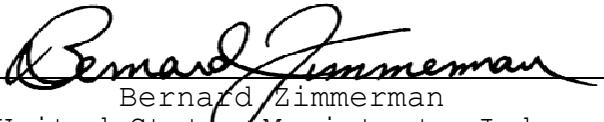
18 In the event a discovery dispute arises, the parties
19 shall meet in person or, if counsel are outside the Bay Area,
20 by telephone and make a good faith effort to resolve their
21 dispute. Exchanging letters or telephone messages about the
22 dispute is insufficient. The Court will not read subsequent
23 positioning letters; parties shall instead make a
24 contemporaneous record of their meeting using a tape recorder
25 or a court reporter.

26 In the event they cannot resolve their dispute, the
27 parties must participate in a telephone conference with the
28 Court **before** filing any discovery motions or other papers.

1 The party seeking discovery shall request a conference in a
2 letter served on all parties not exceeding two pages (with no
3 attachments) which briefly explains the nature of the action
4 and the issues in dispute. Other parties may reply in similar
5 fashion within two days of receiving the letter requesting the
6 conference. The Court will contact the parties to schedule
7 the conference.

8 After the conference with the Court, if filing papers is
9 deemed necessary, they should be filed **electronically filed**
10 with the Clerk's Office, with **one hard copy delivered directly**
11 **to Magistrate Judge Zimmerman's Chambers (Room 15-6688)**. A
12 chambers copy of all briefs shall be submitted on a diskette
13 formatted in WordPerfect 6, 8, 9 or 10. The diskette shall be
14 scanned for virus before submission.

15 Dated: January 4, 2006

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